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and Postponed

Action on the proposed agreement to use the Elmwood Park ravine for student parking is still unresolved according to Dr. George Rachford, vice president of campus development.

At the City Council meeting Tuesday the proposal was referred back to Mayor Eugene Leahy for recommendations. The Mayor has scheduled a meeting for July 20 to discuss the issue. University of Nebraska Chancellor Durward Varner, UNO President Kirk Naylor and Richard Herman, an Omaha member of the NU board of regents are expected to attend.

The proposal to use the ravine for University parking space jeopardizes federal funds from the Bureau of Outdoor Recreation for any projects within a three-mile radius of Elmwood Park "as long as the Legislative Bill 1409 which requires the University to condemn park lands, is on the books," said Rachford.

Action Held Over Twice Action has been held over twice by the City Council, he said. The issue was thoroughly discussed at the June 16 Council meeting and according to Rachford, student lobbying would not accelerate action. Further action on the proposal awaits Mayor Leahy's recommendation to the Council after the scheduled July 20 meeting.

Rachford said University planning is at a standstill and cannot be made public until the federal and city governments decide on the proposal.

Pre-Election Recess Vote Recommended

An all-University community election has been proposed by the University Senate to give students, faculty and staff a voice in deciding on the proposal to have a pre-genaral election recess Oct. 28 through Nov. 3.

The recommendation currently awaiting the approval of President Kirk E. Naylor calls for a campus-wide election to be held during the week of September 21 in which all students, faculty and staff would have the ballot priviledge.

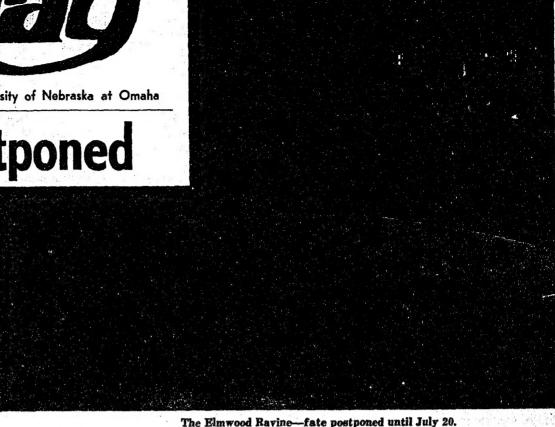
Under the terms of the resolution now awaiting Naylor's pen, Thanksgiving vacation would be limited to Thanksgiving Day and Christmas vacation would not begin until Dec. 24.

The shortening of the fall semester vacations would allow the time for the proposed election recess to be made up, and in all but one case, the day of the week for make-up would correspond that day of the week missed.

The motion to put the election issue before university community voters was a substitute motion introduced by Dr. William Petrowski, associate professor of history.

Dr. Wayne Glidden, professor of education and Senate President said in recommending the all campus-wide vote, the Senate itself was not taking a stand either way on the recess issue.

The newly-elected faculty senate president noted many of the Senate members who voted in favor of putting the issue to a vote of the University community were actually against it but thought that students, faculty and staff should decide the issue's fate.



William Gerbracht Promoted; Roddy Assumes Aid Position



William Gerbracht

Registration for the Second Summer Session ends July 10!

William Gerbracht and Don Roddy have received promotions in an administrative changeover in the Dean of Student Personnel Office.

Gerbracht has become associate dean of student personnel and director of scholarships. Formerly the 21-year veteran of the university staff served as assistant dean of students and director of scholarships and financial aid.

According to Dean of Student Personnel Donald Pflasterer, Gerbracht will now be in essence his assistant and will work almost exclusively with scholarships.

Gerbracht's former position as director of financial aid and assistant dean of students has been assumed by Don Roddy, formerly an assistant to Ger-

Gerbracht had served as a vocational counselor, administrative assistant, director of conferences and workshops, di-

rector of placement and director of student activities prior to his promotion into the Dean of Students Office in 1966.

Roddy joined the UNO staff in 1968 after serving as a staff assistant to the director of the State Normal Board in Lincoln.



Donald Roddy

Futoring Demand Holds Steady



Query evaluating student eye tests results.

"We began offering tutoring when two students were having problems and with a little seed it just grew and grew" said Reading Improvement Director and Interim Tutoring Coordinator John Query when asked to evaluate the university-wide tutoring program which has just ended its third year.

Many of the tutoring services were begun during the Fall of 1967 as a service for Query's reading improvement students. However such services as a test file, pre-final examination discussion groups and weekly tutoring groups in Psychology 101 soon became popular with hundreds of students and the services were expanded to serve all students.

Discussions Expanded

The review sessions held prior to final exam week which had been limited to about 50 of

Query's students were expanded last January as discussion groups were formed in at least 27 courses, an estimated 2,000 students encompassed.

When asked to evaluate the student response to tutoring for the entire 1969-70 school year, Query hesitantly noted response has been "about the same" as during the first two years.

"Students are afraid to go to their teachers for help, many are just plain scared" said Query in explaining why students might need tutoring. "Calling their teachers an assistant professor or doctor sets heavy with them" Query emphasized in noting the problem is especially prevalent among freshmen.

Many Types Come

Many of the students who come to Query's office in Engr. 153 for tutoring or remedial help are failing, others are having a difficult time with a particular course and would like additional help and even some who are good students would like to use tutoring as a means to perhaps raise their grades a few points in a course.

Because the classroom teacher's methods are sometimes ineffective in instructing certain students who perhaps don't have background knowlledge comparable to the rest of the class, "we try to give them a different perspective, a different slant on the subject," Query said.

In addition to pre-final exam review sessions and all-semester tutoring, Query also maintains an exam file containing over 1.000 exams representing about 200 courses.

"If we help just one student, then it's worth it" the goodnatured 86-year-old professor

Editorial

Hours Hurt Library

There are many people in the university community who would tab the Gene Eppley Library as being the most important building on campus.

However the facilities of this most important building and the hours of these facilities have begun to detract from the role assigned the building.

Library hours have been decisively cut this summer. No longer is the campus resource center open Friday evenings. No longer does the building violate the Cornbelt's archaic Sunday closing law.

If the Library's purpose has not deteriorated because of the "bankers hours" its staff now maintain, maybe there will be at least a ray of the building's once-prestigious reputation remaining when John Christ takes over the controls as head librarian this fall.

Letters Jo The Editor

Unachiever

The news of a representative of our student body here at UNO with two semesters of 'F' grades is not only shocking, but disgusting!

According to the rules for EVERY other student, after one semester of 'F' grades, the student is placed on probation. After two continuous semesters of 'F' grades, the administration hands the student his walking papers.

Full-time Work No Excuse

Since when did working full-time become an EXCUSE for

poor grades on the UNO campus?

My husband worked over 60 hours per week while attending school full-time here with a grade point average of over 3.0. I work 25 hours a week and attend school full-time (and have assumed the full-time responsibility of being married) with a grade point average of over 3.0. We are only two out of an uncountable number of students on this campus with a myriad of duties and grades above failing.

First Duty: Acquisition Of Knowledge

Strange that the information of scholastic UNachievement was not part of Steve Wild's re-election campaign. Our first duty as students on any university campus is the acquisition of knowledge. Fortunately or unfortunately, the present method of showing achievement of that duty is the G.P.A.

What does Mr. Wild feel his duty is on this campus? Is his goal to be that of a perennial student body president? Does the student body of UNO want an UNachiever representing them on this campus and on other campuses?

Mrs. Camilla B. Allen

EDITORS NOTE:

According to Dean of Student Personnel Donald Pflasterer, the eligibility of Wild to participate in student government is determined by his accumulative grade point aveage.

For a student with 58 credit hours or more, a 2.0 accumulative average is required. According to Pflasterer, although Wild has flunked two straight semesters, his accumulative grade point average is still above the 2.0 minimum.

Pflasterer said as long as Wild's accumulative average remains at 2.0 or above, the Student Body President will not be placed on academic probation and thus remain eligible to retain

Facts Unconvincing

I was very impressed by your "Editorial" in the June 19th Gateway. You got your point across very effectively. Not, however, in the way you intended. I was not convinced by any "facts" you presented or by any well developed arguments.

Rather than attack what you feel is an important problem. you have attacked the entire University and branded it as falling short of even "a high school institution."

'Isolated Examples Chosen'

You chose a few isolated examples of large lecture sessions, but said nothing about the many small classes on campus and the large number of professors who are doing a good job of teaching. Even the few examples you chose were not dealt with fairly. For example, you failed to mention that Psychology 101 classes meet in small groups once a week to discuss the lectures.

You seem to be unaware of the reasons for such large classes. You fail to mention such problems as rapid growth, financial problems created by a conservative legislature and an equally conservative state, lack of available faculty to adequately staff smaller sections of these classes, etc. You do not deal at all with the question of providing some education to the masses. Rather you imply that lectures are entirely worthless. Perhaps it would be better to teach only 300 students a year in classes of 25 each than to teach 2500 students a year in large lecture sessions. Shall we tell the other 2200 students that they can't take Psychology 101?

'Positive Note Doing Too Much?'

There was one positive note in your Editorial. You saluted Dean Utley for the "Someting On Your Mind" program. However, even here you couldn't help being negative. You indicated this program was not enough. Judging from the student response, it may be doing too much. The students certainly aren't flocking to these sessions. How many have you attended?

Present all the problem, not just the sensational aspects. Try to suggest some concrete, positive solutions. Believe me, the faculty wants help. We need solutions, not criticism.

R. L. Wikoff Psychology Department "THE SPECTATOR"

What Price Progress?

BY TODD F. SIMON

Is UNO going to become a mammoth university, devoted to programs far exceeding its present state? Is UNO going to become a part of the ever-growing schools engaged in computerized educational systems, large research centers, and real estate development? Is UNO destined to be controlled by big business and the government?

It's not so incredible as it seems. For example, one system being implemented by some universities around the country is a complex network of computers. Under these systems, whole departments' subject matter can be condensed and prepared for use by students and faculty. Some 'experts' claim that the curriculum of a university could be put into one of these systems.

This would contribute to eliminating the remaining vestiges of personal contact. To top it off, usually such computer programs are financed by corporations at reduced rates, in order to 1) gain influence at the school, and 2) adapt students to their system.

Research Included

Other projects include research projects, usually located near or surrounding the univer-

Hits right where it hurts the most, doesn't it? It hurts more to know that Stanford University research projects have invented a chemical to make leaves fall off trees in Vietnam, that a Berkeley Research project created the H-bomb, and that Cornell developed gas for warfare. That hurts.

What About UNO?

Now, perhaps the reader is wondering; What does all this have to do with UNO? Dr. Darrell Kellams, in last Friday's Gateway, said that "it seems to me UNO ought to have one of the finest pure research facilities. Many other urban universities in the country have such facilities."

Who are those other urban universities? Perhaps Cornell, Berkeley, or Stanford. Maybe even the University of Chicago at Daley. There are many models to be followed.

Perhaps the Regents Commission on the Urban University in the '70's is filling this important role. In March the Commission was formed in or-

der to "explore all possibilities which exist, at UNO, for developing a program in urban education which could serve as a national model."

Notice the emphasis placed on a program that would 'serve as a model.' Is this our main concern, to build an immense campus that the entire world will admire. I thought the primary use of a university was to serve the students, not the administrators, or architects, or public relations men.

Metropolitan Relations

Let's delve into that Commission, and find out how it serves students. Willis Strauss, chairman of the Commission and president of Northern Natural Gas, says that part of it



Todd F. Simon

is to define and implement UNO's "relation to the metropolitan area." One might well ask what relation UNO could have, excepting the facts that students come from Omaha, and that some of them graduate and live and work in Omaha. Does this then imply that the Commission intends to find areas in which Omaha in general can benefit from the university, and the university in turn would serve these areas of relation to the community - the business and governmental communities, that is.

To carry the idea further, does the Commission serve the interests of the students that UNO was founded to serve? Well, there are 120 members of the Commission. Some are the former president of the Board of Regents of Omaha University, a vice-president of Northern Natural Gas, the president of the Omaha National Bank, a vice-president of Northwestern Bell, and the president of the Kansas City Association of Trusts and Foundations, not to mention Strauss! Strauss notes that there are also many other "businessmen and educational leaders."

Some of the educational leaders are high administrative officials of outside universities.

Student Served?

Is the student being served? The answer should lie in the fact that UNO has FIVE student members of the Commission. UNO students are largely unaware about what is going on in the Commission, as indicated by the small numbers who turned out to talk to Dr. Kenneth Roose last week. Roose is chief advisor for the Com-

Another question of service to the students also lies in the very duties of the committees. The committees are 1) Urban Education, 2) Urban Economy, 3) Manpower and Professional Development and Continuing Education, and 3) Urban Organization. Each of these committees, by the very nature of their subject, are concerned with bulk production for the city. They obviously are not arranged with the individual student in mind. They are arranged with Omaha in mind.

When asked what the Commission is doing about the current problems, answers are difficult to get. In last week's Gateway, for example, a student was quoted as saying that the expansion problems of UNO should be considered first. No answer was noted. Strauss also didn't give an answer. It seems the Commission is not concerned with student problems. Their concerns seem to be urban education in general, economy, manpower, and organization. The human element is not mentioned.

One Function

Are we then to proceed to a society where a man is trained to serve ONE function, where a person graduates from college and then gives the rest of his life to ONE company, a society where a man is held in place by salaries, insurance benefits. pension plans, and eventually by age?

What cost progress? price seems to be the legalized loss of freedom, through economic and mental control. What about education? Schools can only exist as we have known them if they stay independent. Will UNO stay independent? The Spectator hopes so. He hopes that the Regents Commission will eventually serve students. He hopes that we can retain independence and make the university a place where "great students and teachers are brought together." Can we?

RETROSPECTIONS

It seems that the City of Omaha is going through with plans for a Northeast Freeway. Now this will mean the tearing down of much of the 'ghetto' district. But, at least it's progress: Now the good WASPS of Omaha can go to Eppley Airfield over the area.

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In Boot-Prints last Friday, David B. Allen remarked: "As we look back across the rockstrewn streets, the burned out ROTC buildings and the bloodstained squads of May, 1970 . . ." It seems to the Spectator that the May, 1970 could easily be replaced by Vietnam.

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Boot - Prints

BY DAVID B. ALLEN

We Americans are so loveable! We're so prone to form opinions FIRST - and gather information to support them SECOND! Psychologists have come up with an appropriately pedantic phrase for it: "Selective perception and retention". We've all been guilty of it - it's a very human and humorous trait.

But selective perception becomes a more serious matter when we consider the Indo-China war. For we cannot hope to avoid costly errors in the future unless our eyes are open to ALL that has occurred in the past.

Most important, we must beware of the great national fatigue that has settled over our land. For in our emotional exhaustion over the ten-year conflict in Viet Nam, we quite humanly seek information to support our desire to quit and run. We leap for evidence that the war was "illegal" or "immoral" or a "civil war" or that the Viet Minh were merely "patriots" struggling for the independence of their "own" land. Information to support these viewpoints is on sale in America - and many people, with a great surge of relief, are BUYING.

Bootstrappers Weary of War

Our fatigue is natural. This columnist is tired of the war. Did you ever stop to think that Bootstrappers as a group have far more reason to be weary of this war than those who have never carried its grueling burden? It is one thing to feel exhaustion after watching Huntley-Brinkley or Cronkite for ten years in one's living room. It is another to feel the exhaustion of combat, the weariness of the battlefield.

Yet, despite our weariness, our fatigue, certain facts stubbornly refuse to go away. They may haunt us in years to come if we give in at this hour to "selective perception".

Many, for instance, wish to believe the United States helped sabotage the "free elections" called for by the Geneva Accords. Here are facts. Saigon, in 1955, requested a postponement of elections until the true FREEDOM of these elections could be guaranteed. In a surprisingly American tradition, they could not see the point of an "election" when the ballot boxes of the North and of Viet Minh-controlled parts of the South were guarded by the barrel of a gun. "Free election" indeed! Tell it to Mayor Daley.

In the South, ahead of schedule, elections were held! On October 23, 1955, over 98 per-cent of an electorate of 5,000,000 voted to depose the French puppet Bao Dai. Their voices were heard.

No such elections were held in the North. Nor were they ever permitted afterwards by Ho Chi Minh. In the face of this, elections were finally postponed by the United Kingdom and the U.S.S.R. on May 3, 1956. These facts are easily available to anyone spending 20 minutes in the library.

North Vietnamese Protested

With their voices tragically silenced, the people of North Vietnam rose up in protest.

The harsh truth is that the last time the people of the North had a chance to express their free will was in 1954. They were given a chance to leave the Communist-dominated North and move to the South. There followed a massive "vote by foot"—928,152 men, women and children poured south, crowding roads and pathways into the Republic of Vietnam (excluding 120,000 additional military personnel) Only 5,000 South Vietnamese civilians moved north. Does that mean ANYTHING to us?

In the years that followed, the Viet Cong tried to take over the South by force. Were they "welcomed" in their "own" country? Well, hardly. Between 1958 and 1966, Communist terrorists assainated or kidnapped over 30,000 South Vietnamese civilians. Between 1964-66, 813 local civilian officials were murdered and 1,630 more were kidnapped and never seen again; 4,614 other civilians were murdered and another 20,049 kidnapped by the Viet Cong. These are not merely figures in a library. These are human lives! This is how the liberators captured the imagination of their "own" people in their "own" land.

Hue 'Liberation' Was Climax

A climax came when the patriotic forces of the North succeeded in "liberating" the ancient capital of Hue in South Vietnam - March 1968. Here's what the people of Vietnam had been WAITING for! Liberation from the foreigners! . . . Gouglas Pike, this country's top expert on the Viet Cong, recently published a 125-page monograph (The Viet Cong Strategy of Terror) in which you can read about the 24-day rule of the Viet Cong — kangaroo courts, blacklists, summary executions. You might call it "My Lai Month on the Perfume River". So far the bodies of 6,000 civilians have been unearthed in Thua Thien Province surrounding Hue several were tortured and buried alive.

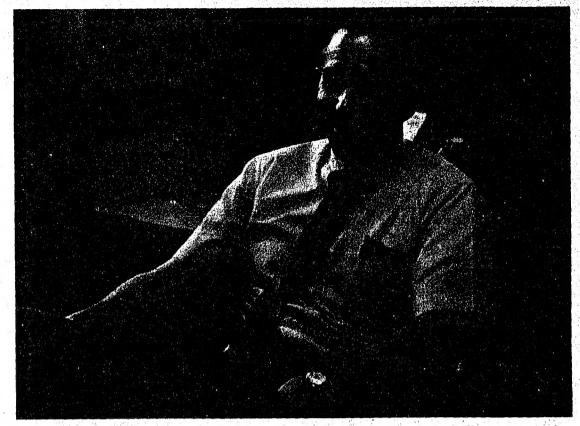
DO let's forget Hue. After all, what's 6,000 people dead or 30,000 still missing?

Confession: 'I'm a Dove'

Dear readers, I hate to bring up these awkward facts. But I have to confess to a weakness. At heart, I'm a dove. I think these people should stay ALIVE over the next years. I was born in Asia. I've spent 11 years there. Our family fled the Japanese, the Hindu-Moslem riots, the post-independence guerilla war in Burma, and the Communist take-over of China.

So perhaps I don't think of Asians as just 928,152 people here or 3 million people there. Perhaps I feel they are ALMOST as important as four students at Kent State or two students at Jackson State. Perhaps I feel the death of 10,000-plus at Hue is as horrible as the death of 105 at My Lai. Perhaps I detect the determination of the South Vietnamese to stay free from the fact that an equivalent (in U. S. terms) of 970,000 OF HER SONS have died on the battle-field. These facts won't "go away".

Reluctantly, I feel the American principle of self-determination is something ASIANS have a right to as well. If that makes me a "hawk", then hawk I be. But I should hate to be the "dove" that will have to fly over 3,000,000 graves in a once-free nation should America's resolve wither and die.



Ralph Bradley pausing in his daily routine of gathering information for the Office of Information.

Office of Information Public Relations Organ

BY BETTI RIES

Like it or not, everyone has public relations. Man's communications with man, whether individually or en masse, have determined that. Ralph Bradley "directs" the public relations aspect of the UNO campus.

The Gateway because of questions of Office of Information censorship which have arisen, generated questions concerning the desirability of the direction the public relations office has taken on the UNO campus. It is necessary, therefore, to analyze precisely the functions of the Office of Information.

Public Relations (PR) became a professional aspect of communication at the turn of the twentieth century and since that time has steadily improved. The purpose of the profession became established as the desirable communication between an institution and the community.

The task of the PR man was to manage circumstances that would create a "favorable" image of his employer, organization or institution for the public.

'Public' Needs Definition

Problems arise when the public to which the PR director focuses his publicity is not clearly defined. For UNO the question posed is whether the public is the university community or the general public which includes residents and non-residents of Nebraska, the students, their parents, the government and the serving community.

The Office of Information is essentially a part of the President's office. Though the actions of the PR office are not dictated by the President the overall objective is to portray the University in a broad scope. The Office of Information is responsible for keeping the community informed on what is happening on campus concerning both the students and the faculty. Bradley said the office is concerned not only with what the University is doing but also with "what the University is attempting to

Taxpayer's Problem

"The problems of the University are not necessarily of

the University alone. They are the problems of the taxpayers. If there is something wrong the community should know about it," said Bradley about the philosophy of the PR office. The job of the PR man, however, is to create an acceptable image of the institution he represents. Conscious of this task Bradley said he hopes "the character and reputation (of UNO) are the same."

Further questioning regarding the "Omaha 54" issue, the subject of a May 6 editorial—supported the office's concern for the University as a whole.

At the annual achievement awards banquet Chairman Jackie Hammer presented a special award to Robert "Jericho" Honore, leader of the Omaha "54." The group of black students had held a November sit-in in President Kirk Naylor's office which resulted in a committee to investigate student grievances and school policies and functions. The special award presentation was not included in the press releases to the Omaha news media.

Bradley said, "In three and a half years I've had no experience along the line of censorship. We don't even consider it." The omission of the "54" occurred because the press release had already been distributed to the media and the office had not received the information of the additional award to the black students according to Bradley.

Bradley said his office is the central point of contact for the news media. It sends approximately 70,000 news releases to all media each year concerning information of "great variety" which includes scholarship and commencement announcements and "hometowners" announcements for the news media in the hometowns of UNO's Bootstrap population. "You name it, we get it out." The news releases are made to the Associated Press, the United Press International, and to the local television and radio stations and the papers. Bradley said, "We have excellent cooperation with the news media here in Omaha."

Offices Manages, Publishes
The Office of Information
is not only concerned with news
releases. It also manages and

publishes materials used for university publicity and information that is beneficial to all students, prospective and enrolled. These materials are present in such forms as the university catalogues, copies of the President's addresses, pamphlets on university life and numerous other publicity materials.

Additional concern for the office is the production of two weekly television shows. One show is from the President's office featuring some phase of campus life and the other concerns the UNO portion of the weekly news program telecast over the State Educational Network. Public Relations also handles press conferences both on and off campus for visiting guests. It forms welcoming committees and plans receptions and other activities for the improvement of the University's public relations.

Product Measures Success The success of the public relations director for any individual, organization or institution can readily be assessed in the consumption of his product. The product of an institution such as UNO is its educational system and the sales of that product can be tabulated through the enrollment. Since Bradley arrived on the UNO campus as director of the Office of Information in 1966 the following numbers have been recorded at the publications office:

Fall 1969 Summer 1967 2,744
Fall 1968 8,288
Spring 1968 10,788
Spring 1969 10,010
Fall 1969 12,120
Spring 1970 10,880

Several factors must be taken into consideration with such information including the increase in the number of people seeking a higher education as well as the effectiveness of the publicity of the institution.

Bradley: Omaha Native

Ralph Bradley, a native of Omaha, received his B.S. in Journalism at Creighton University in 1948. He edited weekly newspapers in Wyoming and Iowa, served as a senior editor of the Sun newspapers for seven years. He is presently working on his M.A. in history at UNO.

\$3,000,000 Science Building Deadline Nears

BY IIM KIICIPEK

The new science building will be ready for fall classes. Don Peterson, director of construction said, "Everything is on schedule." Some summer classer are being held in the new building with the major schedule of classes starting this fall.

August 1st is the completion date for the contractors, with a penalty clause going into effect for every day past the completion date. Peterson said, "An excess of \$3,000,000 will have been spent by the completion date."

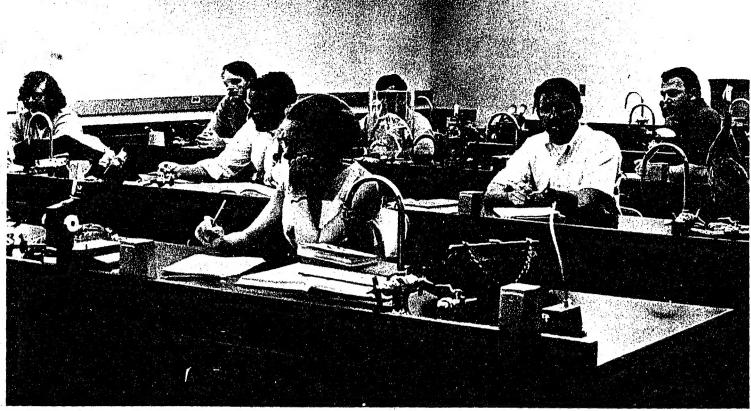
The dedication will take place in October or November, but no certain date has been set. With the importance this new science building has on UNO and the city of Omaha, prominent state political figures will attend the dedication.

The new science building is equipped with the latest modern equipment possible. Dark rooms are standard facilities for the up-to-date building.

The biology labs will be housed on the first and second floors, with chemistry labs on the fourth and fifth floors. The third floor is mainly for class and lecture rooms.

This Georgian brick style building fits in with the rest of the buildings on the UNO campus and is part of the modern design for college campuses.

This new science building should serve its intended pur-



At least two labs are being held in the new Science Building this summer. Some students must be getting a "sneak preview"!

pose very well and enable some of the other academic departments to occupy the space in the Administration building, left by the biology dept. The sociology dept. will occupy the fourth floor of the Administration building, with the art and history departments occupying a portion of the third floor.

Alumni Reorganizes; Wittekind Dismissed

BY DAVE MACK

The UNO Alumni Association is currently operating without a director. The contract of Warren Wittekind, alumni director for the past seven years, expired July 1, and was not renewed.

Alumni President Gary Sallquist believes "the new direction in which the association hopes to move necessitates a change in directors." Sallquist noted that a seven member committee was created last year to analyze the functions of the association and the alumni office which Wittekind headed.

The committee found that the alumni office was little more than "a clearing house of information on former graduates." The committee also reported that fund raising drives over the past few years had not reached maximum potential. (The Alumni fund drive for 1969 collected \$35,000. With over 18,000 alumni on record, this is less than two dollars per year per former student.)

Reviews Decide to Restructure

The Alumni Board, a 22-member executive branch of the association, reviewed the findings of the committee, and decided to restructure the operations of the association and of the alumni office. New plans call for establishing a recognizable image of the association that members will be able to identify with; continuation of the Alumni Newsletter on a more informative basis; development of a rapport between students and the association; innovation by the alumni members with regard to university problems; and primarily, initiation of a more productive fund raising program.

The board felt these goals would be more attainable under a new director, Sallquist pointing out, "Mr. Wittekind has a journalistic background and journalistic interests. What we need now is a public relations man with some expertise at fund-raising."

Wittekind: 'Not A Complete Surprise'

Wittekind: Not A complete surprise

Wittekind takes a different viewpoint on his dismissal.

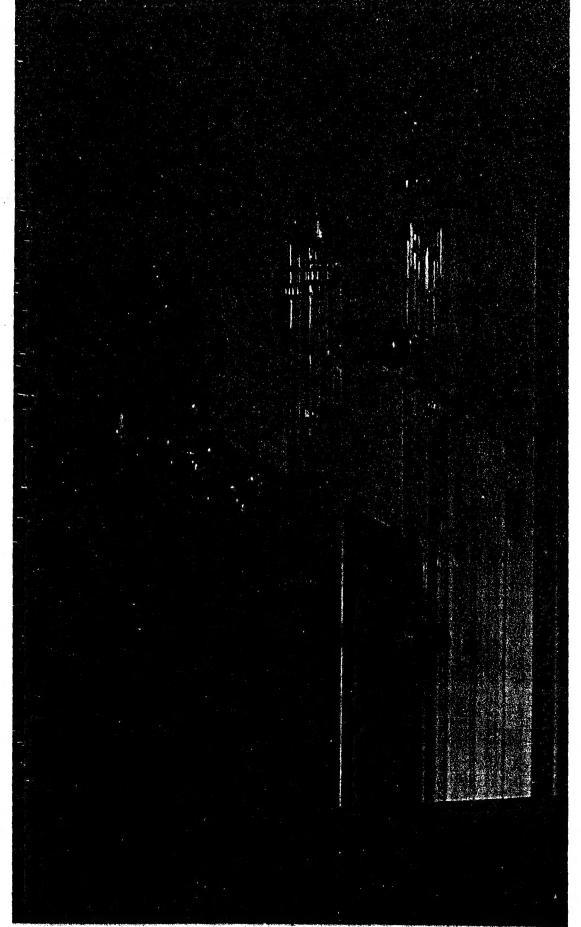
He remarked, "It didn't come as a complete surprise to me, but I was surprised that they dropped things right in the middle of this year's fund drive." He feels that the Alumni Association no longer has the funds to continue with its past programs, since it has recently become autonomous with the university.

Wittekind maintains that the new direction the association is said to be taking is something that has been tried in the past. "We tried to improve student-alumni relations with the Student Alumni Project and it failed. The national trend in fund raising is down because of tight economic times and a growing distasteful attitude toward higher education."

Bootstrapper Disagreement Involved

Another point of disagreement between Wittekind and the Board concerned the role of the bootstrapper in the alumni program. Wittekind commented, "while bootstrappers account for 47 per cent of the university's graduates, and 80 per cent of the contributions in last year's fund drive, they have no representation on the Alumni Board." The Board feels that Wittekind has been negligent in utilizing the influential alumni who live in the city. Wittekind hopes "for the sake of the Alumni Association and

the university, that the Board is right and I am wrong."



New laboratory equipment which is being installed is expected to facilitate the teaching methods used in biology and chemistry classes.

Student Center Changes Near

The entire structure of Student Center management and organization is going to be revamped for the 1970-71 school term.

The decision, reached by the Student Center Policy Board, will divide the responsibilities of the Student Center Director position into two separate positions.

Richard Tompsett, chairman of the Student Center Policy Board, told the Gateway that after the resignation of Fred Ray, former Center director, the Board was "asked by Dean Donald Pflasterer for guidnace and approval." Pflasterer is Dean of Student Personnel.

According to Tompsett, a 1966 graduate of Omaha University and president of the Student Council his junior year, Pflasterer and Harold Keefover of the Business and Finance Office, worked together to formulate a proposal for presentation to the Board.

A first proposal was rejected, but a revised second proposal was approved.

The former Student Center Director's position was dissolved. Under that position had been the duties of directing the business and maintenance of the center, as well as being the Student Activities Director.

Tompsett told the Gateway:
"Throughout the last several months I
have grown to respect Fred Ray and
his concern for the students." Tompsett
noted that he felt "Ray tried to have a
personal relationship with the students,"

Richard Tompsett personal relationship with the students," but couldn't do it in a school the size of UNO. When the business aspect of the job was also considered, Tompsett felt "it was too much for one man to do. It wasn't Fred Ray, but the position he held that was the problem. We should be able to get better service than before. The old position just had too many responsibilities."

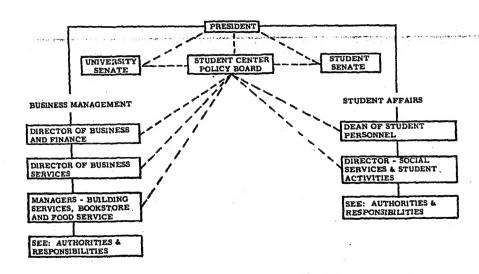
The two new positions are the Director of Social Services and the Director of Business Services. The approved proposal, entitled "Student Center Organization and Management," lists the authorities and responsibilities of the positions:

The Director of Social Services and Student Activities is directly responsible to the Dean of Student Personnel and the President of the University.

Administer Arrangements For Student Functions

The proposal also says that "the Director of Social Services and Student Activities is responsible for and has full authority to administer necessary arrangements for official UNO student functions whether held on or off campus." The position is also responsible for administration and faculty functions held

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in the Student Center building. It is "an administrative appointment at the 'manager' level." The Director also is responsible for budget control and other financial administration involving general student activities and Student Center programs. "This does not imply more than advisory responsibility for budget development."

"The responsibilities imposed upon the occupant of this position are indeed onerous. Extreme sensivity to the prevailing moods of the student body, the faculty and staff, and the other interested peoples is an essential quality."

When asked whether or not the Student Center Policy Board had made a decision on a person for Social Service and Student Activities Director, Tompsett said that would "most likely be Mrs .Thelma Engle who currently is UNO's Social Director.

Bookstore, Food and Buildings Responsibilities

The Director of Business Services would be responsible for the operations of the bookstore, food services, building services. The proposal itself doesn't relate specifically the duties of the Director of Business Services, but does indicate that he has direct responsibility over the Bookstore Manager, the Food Services Manager, the Student Center Building Services Manager ,who in turn have direct responsibility over the functions and employees in their services. He would be directly responsible to the Director of Business and Finance.

Since these operations are all regular, that is, they can be counted on to do a certain amount of work daily, the Director of Business Services is a post designed to keep the Student Center services running efficiently and adequately. Tompsett did not indicate that anyone had been accepted as yet.

One of the important parts of the proposal is the listing of responsibilities. Tompsett says that "prior to this, there has never been any written policy from the administration of the university regarding the area of responsibility for the personnel of the Student Center." This refers to all Student Center personnel.

Tompsett: Written Explanation Necessary
Tompsett feels that the written explanation, coupled with the two posts,
"will eliminate some of the problems." A lot of the students "just didn't understand where to go" to get things done. "Now there will be a person for the students to deal with. They will know exactly where and whom to go to." Tompsett that this would "eliminate a lot of confusion."

Tompsett says the most important part of the whole proposal is that it is "trying to make the Student Center Policy Board a direct advisory to the president of the university."

The proposal reads concerning the Student Center Policy Board: "The Board, representing student, faculty, alumni, and administrative interests, was established by executive order of the President. The President, The Dean of Student Personnel, the Director of Business and Finance, and the managerial and supervisory personnel concerned with Student Center Building functions, will rely heavily upon the recommendations of this Board...

The three main functions of the Board are:

1) To provide appropriately interested groups a voice in Student Center operations.

2) To recommend and lend support to the administration in the formulation of policies and rules.

3) To serve as a bridge of communication between the administration, managers and supervisors, on the one hand, and the students, faculty and alumni on the other. We are firmly convinced that mutual understanding and good communications will do much to relieve tensions, hard feelings, and criticism."

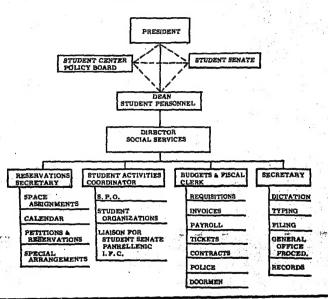
Policy Board Direct Link to President

Tompsett told the Gateway that the Student Center Policy Board would
be the direct link from Student Center Activities to the President. The current
members of the Board are Tompsett, representing the alumni, Dr. Ralph Wardle,
representing the University Senate, John Chapman, representing the faculty;
Steve Wild, John Bridgewater, Jackie Hammer, and Jim Craven, representing
the students. The Student Center Director was formerly a member. The student
members were appointed by the Student Senate.

"The members comprise representatives from the entire university community," said Tompsett.

When asked why the student members seemed to be the persons who are "working in everything" Tompsett said "there is always this small group who take the initiative to get the problems solved. It was the same when I went

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to school, and it's the same now that I'm in business. (Tompsett is an agent for Massachusetts Mutual Insurance.) I'd like to see other people get involved, but most people would rather complain."

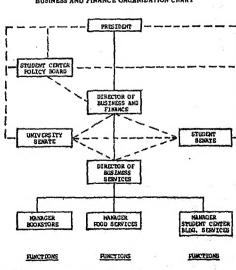
When asked how those who had complaints, or other matters, could present them to the Board, Tompsett replied: "We are in the embryonic stages. We're in the stages of building some operational procedures. We've been so wrapped up in our work that we haven't started on this internal organization. However, I should hope that students would feel free to bring their ideas to the Board. We want them to take part."

Tompsett: More Effectiveness Necessary

In summing up his objectives, Tompsett concluded that "it is my sole objective not to destroy policies and methods of running the Student Center, but to more effectively help Dean Pflasterer, Harold Keefover, and the Director of Social Services perform their duties on a better basis."

The Student Center Policy Board will begin deliberation soon on a proposed

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constitution. This constitution, created by Steve Wild, gives the Board basic internal organization. There would be eight members: four students, two faculty members, one alumnus, and one Student Center staff.

The proposed constitution, titled simply the Constitution of the Student Center Policy Board of the University of Nebraska at Omaha, would give the Board power to determine service, space, and personnel policies for the Student Content

During the next few weeks the Board will also decide on a person to fill the newly-created post of Student Activities Coordinator. They are looking for "an individual who is relatively young, a person who can work with the students."

Ernest Gorr Foresees Recreation Future in Greater Omaha Vicinity

Last month the UNO Parks and Recreation Department held a workshop for the Omaha Parks and Recreation Service. The Gateway asked Ernest Gorr, associate professor of physical education for men, and sponsor the UNO Parks and Recreation Society, to discuss various aspects of recreation, parkland, leisure time, facilities, and their relation to the city and the university.

GATEWAY: What is the Parks and Recreation Society?

GORR: The UNO Parks and Recreation Society is a student group on campus, composed of park and recreation majors who are preparing for a professional career in that area. The recreation aspect here is the biggest. These majors are not what a lot of people think they arephysical education people. Some are physical edu-



Gorr listening ...

cation specialists, some are interested in arts and crafts, and other work with the mentally retarded and elderly . . .

GATEWAY: What then constitutes your pro-

GORR: Our major program is of such a nature that besides his general university requirements, the student takes about 24-plus hours in recreation courses. Now these are basically concerned with organization, history, and philosophy, and includes field work, which is comparable to student teaching.

GATEWAY: When did this program begin? GORR: It began when I first saw the need, in the '50's, when I was track coach. Because it really wasn't understood, no one really wanted it. So, it began in the College of Continuing

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Studies. We just quietly and gradually kept adding more courses. When it grew bigger, it became part of the Education College.

GATEWAY: How long has the program been operating, how does it compare to other universities, and what do you expect in the future?

GORR: We've been in operation for ten years, counting both colleges. At that time we were the sixty-fifth college in the country with such a program. Ours is the only real recreation program in the state of Nebraska.

GATEWAY: What are views on the University moving into the Elmwood Lavine, or Elmwood Park in general?

GORR: When we talk about moving into Elmwood Park, as a Parks and Recreation man, I hate to see it happen. Parkland is just too valuable, it takes too long to develop. I frankly bebelieve the campus can be developed elsewhere. In terms of modern transportation and other factors, it's a matter of economics.

._GATEWAY: Concerning the ravine however. Many students, and others concerned, feel that this is logical since the ravine is used so little.

GORR: This could be a yes and no situation. My apprehensions are that once you begin encroaching on parkland, you open the way to more. When the parks and recreation directors agree that an area is no longer needed for their purposes, then a common agreement could go along with the development.

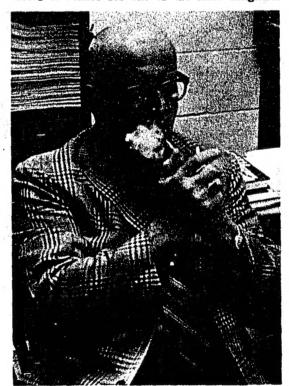
GATEWAY: What do you foresee to be done about the space problem on this campus? Clearly something will have to be done, whether citywide campuses are built or not.

GORR: Let me give you a different projection. Over the years I have been here I have seen land for certain phases of our program disappear. Just take the Physical Education phase.

 Going down to the park won't solve it because it would mean total destruction of the park.

Physical activity is of such a nature that it needs land space. It can't all be confined to the Fieldhouse. It is the nature of youth to want to take part in that activity. Either a program is worth continuing, and worth providing space for, or forget the whole program and say it has no meaning to the future.

Getting back to the space problem. A lot of programs related to recreation are handicapped, as are a lot of other programs. Going down into the park won't solve it because it would mean total destruction of park. Even the ravine. What a lot of people don't realize is that this ravine offers a chance for one of the most delightful



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childhood experiences—just roaming in a natural environment, that we have so little of in an urban area. This is something that is on everybody's lips these days—environmental education.

GATEWAY: Students, and other parties have maintained that Elmwood Park isn't used. For example, the golf course is cited as a poor golf course, and the golf course would be one of the more desirable areas for expansion.

GORR: Omaha has two 18-hole, public golf courses. Recreation is expensive, and a public system offers it at a lower cost. On weekends you'll find people lined up to play at Elmwood. It's easier for the citizen, the weekend golfer to go to a public course instead of an expensive private one. It would be good if people started thinking about the quality of life. I'm not so much against the development of the ravine, but I think it's only a stopgap measure. As for the lack of use of Elmwood Park, it is really somewhat irrelevant.

You have a bed. You don't use it all the time, but when you want to sleep, it's there. The same

way with a car. Just because you don't use it constantly, that doesn't mean you get rid of it. It's much the same with public parkland. Sure, people don't use it every day, but when they go on a picnic, they want it there. People don't want to travel long distances for recreation.

GATEWAY: What do you feel concerning the location of UNO? You've been here for 23 years. Did people notice the space problems

GORR: In the early '50's I proposed that the university build multi-level parking facilities. When Milo Bail was President, I proposed buying land southwest of the campus. That was before the area was residentially developed.

GATEWAY: What then would be your estimate on the growth of the present campus?

GORR: I can see this campus being vitally used for extensive continuing education. I see more and more people coming back to college for extra education they didn't have a chance to get at an earlier time. I see another campus developed for the education of the youth.

GATEWAY: How do you see the students attitude toward recreation and physical activities?

GORR: This campus is way behind when it comes to the development of over-campus recreation. I'm not talking just about intramurals. I mean music, dramatics, arts and crafts, and other activities on a coordinated basis.

GATEWAY: How would such a program be formed and managed?

GORR: One of the national trends is to have a campus recreation director. There is so much that recreation can offer to the collegaian.

GATEWAY: What does recreation offer the college student that he isn't probably aware of already?

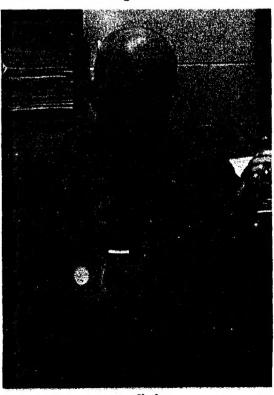
GORR: A lot of people think of recreation as a specialty area. Living is what one does in his leisure time. One has more vacation time, too. What one does in his leisure time is recre-

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ation. Where the problems are compounded is that we haven't educated people to the real appreciation of these things and their place in

GATEWAY: What is the attitude of Omahans in regards to recreation? Do they take advantage of the available facilities?

GORR: The whole attitude of the City of Omaha has improved vastly in the last decade. Omaha has plans for more golf courses. One popular idea is the aspect of using the schools as schoolcommunity centers. Support begins with education. Education in recreation is kind of a recreation to an idea of living.

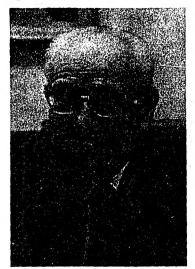


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Full-Time Masters Degree Program Set

A new twist has been added to the graduate program of the College of Business Administration.

Beginning this fall, the Master of Business Administration (MBA) will be expanded to provide for the full-time stu-



Dean Heather

dent. The MBA evening program for part-time students, begun five years ago, will be continued.

Something On Your Mind?

The two final "Something On Your Mind" discussions scheduled for the First Summer Session will be held next week, July 7.

The two student-faculty discussions set for Tuesday are predicated upon currently topical subjects.

Dr. H. Carl Camp, associate professor of political science, will moderate Tuesday's 9:15 a.m. discussion on "Youth and the Establishment—Generation, Credibility and Other Infamous Gaps."

Dr. Frank Forbes, associate professor of business administration, will conduct Tuesday's 11 a.m. session on "Pot, Prayer, Politics, Privacy—The Right to Cut Your Own Throat Your Own Way."

All "Something On Your Mind" discussions are held in MBSC 303. Refreshments are provided during the teacher-student talk sessions open to all members of the university community.

Sunday Concerts Planned

The first in the current series of three summer Orchestra on the Green concerts is scheduled Sunday, July 5, at 7:30 p.m.

A 60-member orchestra will perform during the hour-long concert in front of the Administration Building. Chairs will be provided for persons attending the free, public concert, which will be canceled in case of rain.

Kermit Peters, associate professor of music, is the director.

The Orchestra on the Green will play "Fireworks Music" by Handel, and selections from "Hello, Dolly" and "Mary Poppins."

Other Orchestra on the Green Concerts are planned at 7:30 p.m. July 19 and 26.

Dr. George G. Heather, dean of the UNO College of Business Administration, says the expanded program is designed particularly for men who have "peaked out" in their careers, as well as for more recent college graduates.

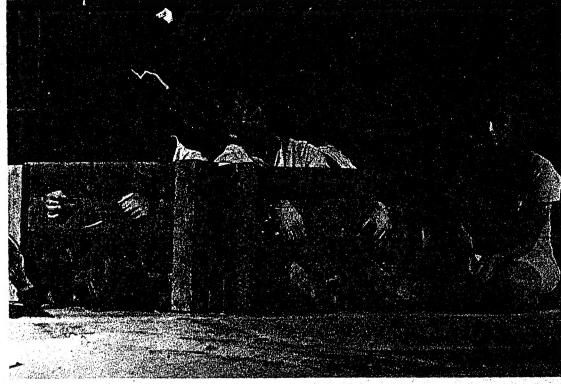
"For example, we want to provide for the engineer or the attorney or the liberal arts graduate who needs additional preparation so that he can enter management," Dean Heather explains. "Such a person must move quickly to achieve a new career goal . . . We have expanded the MBA program here to meet the special needs of such prospective full-time students."

'Leveling Courses Offered'

To be offered for the first time is a special set of what Dean Heather calls "leveling courses." These graduate classes — in economics, accounting, marketing, finance, statistics and other subjects — will be composed only of graduate students entering the MBA program without a business degree background.

"Previously, it has been necessary for these students to take a series of courses right along with the undergraduates before the graduate program," Dean Heather explains. "Now, the plan is to segregate the graduate students and to start them right out in graduate level courses. After all, these students have greater maturity than the young undergraduates. Background course work will be condensed to meet the graduate students' special needs."

To enter the MBA program, the student must hold a bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university.



Cast practicing for one of the three productions.

Repertory Theatre Offers Three Premiere Productions

The Summer Repertory Theatre will be presented from July 7 to July 19.

The first presentation will be the play "Summertree." It will be performed on July 7, 10, 15, and 16. Directed by Dr. Edwin Clark, the play is concerned with a young soldier's shattered life.

The second play is "Exit the King," by Eugene Ionesco. The plot is about a mythical kingdom and its leader, involved in problems of deterioration and pollution. Directed: by Fred Vesper, it will be exhibited on July 8, 12, 17, and 19.

The third offering is William Gibson's "A Cry of Players." Robert Welk is directing this play, which is about a youth trying to put order into his

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life. It is set in the 1580's. It is also set for July 9, 11, 14, and 18.

All performances are in the auditorium of the UNO Administration Building. Curtain time is 8:30 p.m., except on Sundays, when it is 8 p.m.

This is the first summer that three plays have been featured. In the past the drama department presented only two concurrently running productions.

Ten students form the bulk of the acting troupe for the three productions. They are John Johnston, Ray Williams, Jim Fitzpatrick, Dick Johnson, Cal Montgomery, Car ol Versaci, Rita Paskowitz, Sue Rogers, Rita Lenczowski, and Mary Phillips.

Students are admitted free

with identification. Non-students are assessed a \$1.50 entrance fee. Season tickets can be obtained for \$4.00. The theatre box office will be open weekdays from 9 a.m. to 2:30



Patton' Unlike Many Others; Talks About War, Lives It

"Patton" isn't like any war movie encountered before. It is actually not concerned with the Second World War. It is concerned only with Patton himself.

There are really no characters in the film except Patton, who is played by George C. Scott. Scott is excellent in the part, always domineering, self-confident, romantic, bigger than life.

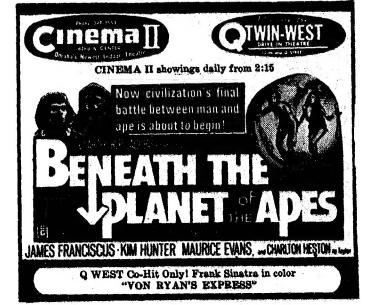
Freely versed in military history, Patton not only talks about war: he lives it. War is his life, without it he is dormant.

The plot is secondary to the main function of the film. "Patton" is above all else a study of the man. The study must reflect has reaction to various characters and situations. Karl Malden plays General Omar Bradley, and gets top billing with Scott. Malden actually comes off as a very inoffensive, easy - going, and gratuitous character. Bradley is the perfect foil for Petton. Using Bradley, Patton can put his name in the annals of history.

Most of the remaining characters aren't close to Patton, and he dislikes most of them. The directing is marvelous. In all stages of the film Patton is the main target, always domineering ever; ing, even nature. The battle scenes were so convincing that they evoked shudders from members of the audience, and the photography shines. The three military advisors used for the picture seem to add realism, as does the use of the Spanish Army for extras.

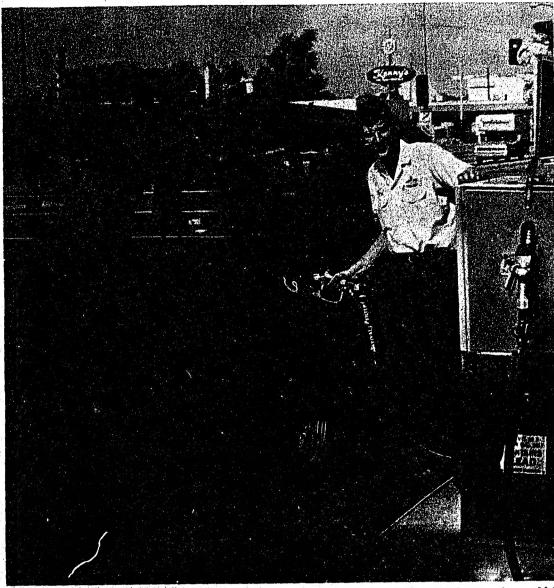
The war itself is the only real character besides Patton, but we have to see it through his eyes.

"Patton" is a one-man show, and Scott should get a chance to refuse another Academy Award nomination. (He refused one in 1964) It should be required viewing for any student of literature or sociology, or any person who lived through World War II, but it's more than that. "Patton" is good entertainment, with the best acting seen here in a long time.



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"There are numerous Second Summer Session classes that have already been closed" reports Summer Session Director William T. Utley.

Because there is no "non-committed money" for Summer Sessions salaries, the "absolute ceilings imposed by the Unicameral, and the stipulation that the University cannot spend the money it collects, additional class sections that might be needed "are out of the question—kerpoot," Utley said.

"The only relief that can be had for closed classes is the possibility of shifting to a larger room" the College of Continuing Studies dean added.

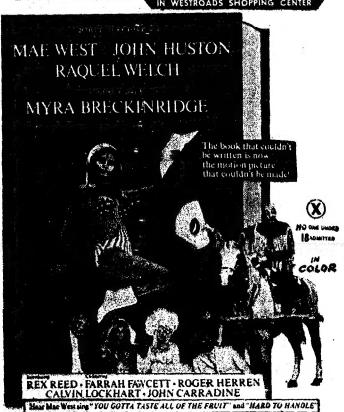
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Consumer advocate Ralph Nader contends leaders in business thrive off anonymity. When the finger is being pointed, they want it pointed at the corporation conglomerate not at the individual executive. Nader maintains the American public is content to look with adoration upon the world of corporations as a huge, multi-structured god, and what god says, goes:

On the local scene, a Standard Oil executive (who prefers to remain anonymous for Nader-tainted reasons) said Standard announced about a month ago its plans for non-leaded gasoline to make a debut on the Omaha market about October 1.

The gasoline will market for about two or three cents more than the regular brand of gas now being sold. The official indicated reasons for the additional cost stemmed from the added refining needed when lead was removed from the gas. He said adding tetroethyl lead to a gasoline increases the octane and anti-knock qualities. Lead is one of the cheapest ways of adding these qualities. By removing the lead from gas, the same qualities must be obtained through a more expensive refining method. This is what is causing the added price in non-leaded gas, according to the Standard official.

He added the product must be refined to a higher degree, by a more costly process, and the end result is fewer gallons of gasoline.

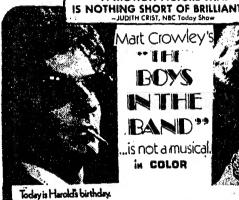
The 91-octane, unleaded gas that will be made available to consumers represents a grade of gas that is below the standard of "regular" gas now sold on the market. The octane factor represents the degree of refinement. The more refined the product, the higher its cost.

According to the official, consumers will see an increased mileage and longer engine life, as well as longer exhaust system life, after repeated use of a non-lead gas.

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